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## First Lecture Foreman Shares Thoughts



David Foreman talks about the importance of family to his successes.  
~Photo by Sabrina Boggio~

Angela Millinazzo, '12  
*Beacon Contributor*

David Foreman '11 delivered Merrimack's second annual First Lecture, sponsored by the Mission Effectiveness Council.

As Father Ray Dlugos opened the Feb. 17 event, he described the First Lecture as an opportunity for the selected student to "talk about what matters most to the student at that point in his life," and to become an "active part of dialogue and conversation" on campus.

Last year's First Lecturer, Brian Caira '10, also introduced Foreman — and served as both a support system and source of inspiration for this year's lecture.

Though Foreman admitted he



was nervous at the beginning of his speech, he began, with great clarity, to explain what matters most to him and what he wished to share with the audience and the Merrimack community.

The writing process was one of reflection, he said, especially beThe

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## Mr. Merrimack Smyth Crowned



From left, competitors Timmy Smith, Brendan Ahern, John Smyth and Matthew Kirkham  
~Photo by Sabrina Boggio~

Joan Corcoran, '13  
*Staff Writer*

Bathing suits, dance routines, raps, and high heels. Sounds like something you would expect from a summer concert, but in fact it was Merrimack's very own Mr. Merrimack competition.

The night started off with a bang. The four contestants, Brendan Ahern, Matt Kirkham, Timmy Smith, and John Smyth, were announced by the two hilarious hosts of the night, Colin Currie and Ryan Pinette. The night started off with an introduction of the hosts, and the contestants joined the stage in casual wear while their biographies were recited to the audience.

Smyth excited the audience by



throwing t-shirts into the crowd.

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## Students: Laundry Services Need Clean-Up

### Students Frustrated with Broken Machines

Patrick Lawlor, '13  
*Associate Editor in Chief*

Buying clothes — easy. Keeping them clean — that's apparently the hard part.

Laundry service at Merrimack has faced some serious complaints. In a recent Questions on the Quad, a feature of The Beacon, students were asked what they thought of the laundry services and the responses were quite negative. Students were quoted as saying the machines don't dry clothing and are too expensive, and the rooms are dirty.

The laundry services are contracted out to the company Mac Gray, the

self-declared "Laundry Room Experts," whose headquarters are just down the road from campus, in Waltham. Calling to report a service problem, at 1-800 MAC GRAY, puts you on hold for about two minutes until an operator picks up. Many on campus did not speak highly of the current services. One student who asked that his name not to be used said, "The laundry services are terrible, on the verge of embarrassing. It's unacceptable that machines are broken for months." Most of the laundry rooms that report problems are those in the Monican and Ash Centres. Sophomore J.R. Nickelson voiced some problems with

the Ash laundry room. "It is too hot there and the machines are bad. There is no ventilation," he said. Meghan Mulrenan, a sophomore in the Monican Centre, noted problems with the machines. "You have to dry your clothes twice in the dryers," she said, adding, "The cost of laundry should be included in the cost of the school. It is too pricey." Luiz Guerra, who lives in the townhouses, also argued that laundry costs too much.

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# Luda Change!

As many of you may know, the date for the spring concert has changed. Due to Ludacris’ busy schedule, on the weekend of April 16th he will not be able to perform because he is filming a movie. The date of the concert has now been moved to Thursday, April 28th which is the week after Easter Break. There was much debate among the junior and senior classes whether to have spring weekend moved to the new date of the concert or keep it the same. Many students voted to leave the date of spring weekend the same and to have the concert on a separate date. Although the concert may bring excitement for another spring weekend, there will be no spring weekend activities held that weekend.

## Sophomore Tubing Event!!

Snow Tubing at Amesbury Sports Park  
**Thursday, March 3rd**  
Buses leave at 5:30 PM, we will return by 9:45 PM at the very latest  
... a fun night away for **only \$5**  
(YOU SAVE \$17!!!!)  
Reserve your spot by bringing your \$5 to the Campus Life Office (3rd Floor Sakowich Campus Center)  
by Tuesday, March 1st  
We only have **40** spots so act quickly!!  
(20 are reserved for sophomores, if you have a non-sophomore friend, they should sign up too!!)  
E-mail Sara Quagliaroli  
(quagliarolis@merrimack.edu)

## Top Ten In The Box Office

1. **Unknown**  
\$21,856,389
2. **Gnomeo & Juliet 3D**  
\$19,154,010
3. **I Am Number Four**  
\$19,449,893
4. **Just Go With It**  
\$18,478,226
5. **Big Mommas: Like Father, Like Son**  
\$16,300,803
6. **Justin Bieber Never Say Never 3D**  
\$13,307,933
7. **The King's Speech**  
\$6,529,530
8. **The Roommate**  
\$3,909,742
9. **The Eagle**  
\$3,645,485
10. **No Strings Attached**  
\$3,080,033

# Know Your Augustinians

The “Know Your Augustinians” campaign is an initiative by The Beacon to strengthen the awareness of Merrimack’s Augustinian tradition and heritage by allowing our readers to recognize the members of the Order of Saint Augustine currently at Merrimack.

## Fr. Jim Wenzel, O.S.A.

### Special Assistant to the President for Augustinian Advancement

Patrick Lawlor, ‘13  
Associate Editor in Chief

How long have you been at Merrimack?  
Almost 12 years

How long have you been an Augustinian?  
61 years

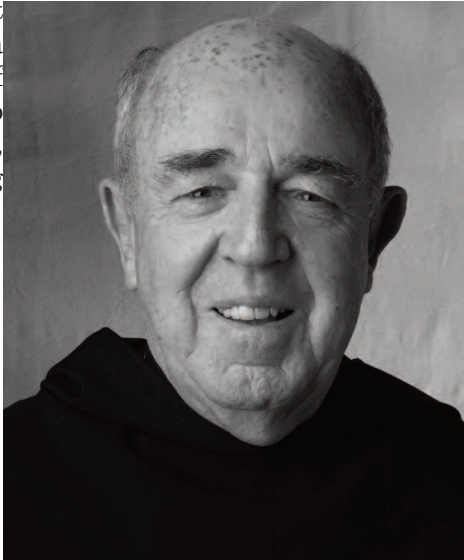
What is your favorite subject to study?  
Augustinian spirituality

What is it like being an Augustinian?  
It is very exhilarating to be part of a Christian fraternity that is 767 years old, and to know that I have Augustinian brothers and sisters throughout many countries supporting me the way that I have been called to live life.

What were your previous assignments before Merrimack?  
I have had four assignments in parish settings, two in higher education, one in formation ministry, which is working with young men preparing to become Augustinians, and one assignment in Italy, where I focused on Augustinian spirituality.

What is Merrimack doing best?  
For me, it’s recruiting wonderful young people and helping them to develop skills to lead fulfilling lives.

What does Merrimack need to do better?  
To try to become an authentic community of people, not seeing our own individual interests and talents being for ourselves, but share them to a building up of what it means to be a caring, loving, and all embracing community.



~Photo by Kevin Salemme~

# School News

## Diversity Initiative Under Way

Ashley Sarris, '12  
*Editor in Chief*

Merrimack College has something for everyone, from various sports, majors, and activities. But what about various people?

Father Ray Dlugos and President Chrostopher E. Hopey are heading a campus-wide campaign, a diversity initiative. The initiative, Consult4Diversity, is setting up open forums from all different groups on campus to discuss the presence of diversity that they feel is apparent.

Hopey, in a campus-wide email explained, "Why are we doing this? For one, the world of higher education has changed. Like every other institution, in order to survive and thrive we must participate in the global economy. Many international students are seeking an American education experience, similar to our students wanting to study abroad. Merrimack is the perfect location for international students to study -- it's a small community in a suburban location with access to Boston."

"Recognizing this, one of our goals is to recruit international students to the Merrimack campus. We

want to make sure international students, like our domestic students, feel like part of the Merrimack community and have the best educational experience possible," he said.

Diversity is not just based on race or cultural background, but also can be religion, or even sexual orientation. Diversity concerning sexual orientation used to be much more apparent on campus with clubs like, The Friends Coalition, that would hold campus-wide events raising awareness of the Gays, Lesbians, Bisexuals, and Transgenders living side by side with the rest of the world. The club's major events consisted of a drag show, and a Day of Silence Campaign in 2009. With the graduation of Kate Souers '09, no one was left to continue the spreading success in the Merrimack community.

In the classrooms, Merrimack tries to add diversity to education in terms of Religious differences. Although Merrimack is a Catholic institution, it is a requirement for students to take an Introduction to Religious Studies class, a class that covers five of the major religions. The second required religion class is

the students' choice. The options vary every semester.

As young adults, students do not just learn in the classroom, but through their everyday interactions with each other, thus reinforcing Hopey's second point made in his e-mail, "I want to stress that while creating a more diverse campus is part of our enrollment strategy, it is also a moral obligation. We owe it to our students and want them to become global citizens with an understanding and perspective of different cultures and beliefs."

Focus groups were scheduled for athletes, female faculty, Resident Advisors, all students, students with disabilities, tenured and non-tenured faculty, students of color, non-Catholic community members, Augustinians, international alumni and students, SGA, graduate and continuing education students, and adjunct faculty.

The groups were headed by Jim Calderone who opened the meeting by introducing himself. Calderone has taught in the Social Work Department at Misericordia University, a college whose population is similar to Merrimack's demographics. He made it his job to point out

the awkward silences, and to ask questions that made people really think about what they wanted to say.

Popular topics included the inclusion of more diversity among professors and including more international students in Merrimack activities.

After these meetings conclude, an e-survey will be sent out to all students to create a level of comfort by making these anonymous. Consult4Diversity is asking students to answer: What's it like to be you at Merrimack? These surveys will be sent out to the Merrimack community within the first two weeks of March.

In May, the consulting team will report back to Merrimack with the ways they feel would help Merrimack achieve their goals to create more diversity on campus. The Merrimack community is welcome to this meeting as well.

For more information about Merrimack's plan, visit, [www.merrimack.edu/diversity](http://www.merrimack.edu/diversity) or Consult4Diversity's website, [www.consult4diversity.com/home](http://www.consult4diversity.com/home).

# Career Fairs Get Face Lift

## Career Services Opens Career Fairs to More Majors

Andrew Hurd, '13  
*Staff Writer*

This years Career Fair at Merrimack will be on Thursday March 31 from 2:30-5:30 in the Multi Purpose Room of the Sakowich Center. The fair will be different this year than in the past. In past years the fair has had about 35-40 employers but this year, as of February 17th, 69 employers registered with more employers registering every day. The fair will be available to all students, from freshman to seniors and the

fair is for ALL majors. In the past, only a select few have been involved.

There will be employers offering potential internships, part time and full time jobs. Organizations like City Year and Augustinian Volunteers who offer a Year of Service will be there as well. Students without resumes can just go and talk to employers to get information and learn about many careers.

The Career Services office is now working in partnership with the Alumni Office to find Merrimack Graduates that work for companies

potentially interested in hiring current students.

All students are recommended to log into their Advantage Account. Everybody has an account and this system allows you to upload resumes and search for jobs and actually apply through this system.

There will also be short workshops the week of March 14th and again on Monday the 28th and Tuesday the 29th. These workshops will help you figure out what questions you can ask the employers.



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The writing process was one of reflection, he said, especially because three days before the speech he decided to change everything he had written. However, when Foreman had finally figured out what he wanted to say, he knew that he had to write about his family and how they have influenced him.

Throughout his lecture, he fondly described memories of both triumph and disappointment and the impact his family had on each of those moments. He shared his

journey of growth and maturity, expressing that while he might have taken his family for granted while younger, they have had “ever-increasing importance in my life.”

Foreman describes one turning point in his life when he introduced his mother to his area coordinator at Merrimack, Sean Curran. His mother was proud as Curran described all of the great things Foreman had done, and when he saw the look on his mother's face, he knew he wanted to keep making her and his family proud.

Foreman's lecture also served as an inspiration and reminder of

qualities to value. He told the audience that he has learned the importance of teamwork, dedication and hard work. He described teamwork as “putting others before yourself to allow others to shine,” a virtue he has extended to his participation on the Rugby Team and on the Residence Life staff. When Foreman talked about dedication, he explained that it “requires sacrifice” and he also advocated for dedicating yourself your team, your studies and to your family, all while giving 100 percent. Finally, Foreman defined hard work simply as “working hard,” and said that while

everyone experiences failure, they still need to “dream big.”

Foreman ended his lecture reminding the audience that how we act defines who we are and regardless of whether you were sometimes good or sometimes bad, you are always remembered as either good or bad. He challenged the audience to ask themselves, “How do you want to be remembered?” And although Foreman provided the audience with some questions for self-reflection, he asserts that he doesn't have everything figured out.

He ended by saying, “I am who I am because of my family.”



# Blood Drive

Michael Romanella, ‘13  
Staff Writer

The Student Government Association held one of two blood drives that they hold semi-annually on Feb. 10.

Allie Dickson, who is a member at large for the SGA said,

”This event was great for Merrimack, to help bring not only students but people from the surrounding towns in to help the American Red Cross.”

SGA Vice President Alisha Repucci added,

“This is our community service to Merrimack, along with participating in the Relay for Life that is happening in April. This event takes months of planning to hold a successful blood drive, and many SGA members have to work together with the American Red Cross Association to make this event a success.”

At 3:30 in the afternoon, 101 people had already checked in to give blood. The SGA even had to turn away people because so many were arriving; they could not keep up with the amount of people coming in with the number of nurses they had on staff that day. The key to the blood drive was to get usable pints, which is different from just getting any number of pints.

The SGA collected 81 pints of useable blood, exceeding its goal of 72.

The SGA holds one regular blood drive and one Super Drive every year. The difference between the two is the amount of useable pints and donors that they collect. The Super Drive is open to the public and surrounding community so they can reach the goal of 120 useable pints.

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Donna Tombarelli, the director of procurement and risk management at Merrimack oversees the contract with Mac Gray. Both she and Donna Swartwout, dean of campus life said, said they could discuss the details of the contract. An official with Mac Gray did not return a phone message left for her.

Not all students believe laundry services are intolerable. “Machines have taken my quarters a couple times, but other than that I have no complaints,” said Yagul Ganendran.

Giuseppe Di Biase, who lives in the townhouses also said he has had “no problems.”

The issues that students cite most often as needing attention is the physical condition of the actual machines, but other pos-

sible upgrades do not necessarily have to do with the physical conditions of the machines.

At Northeastern University, for example, which also uses Mac Gray, students have an application called “Laundryview.” Laundryview, according to Northeastern’s web site is an internet application that allows students to monitor the status of washers or dryers that are in use.

The application tells students how many washers or dryers are available, with the intention of saving time by alerting students of the state of what become quite busy laundry rooms. This application is available on a student’s computer or mobile phone.

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After this, the dance team was given the opportunity to perform on stage while the contests prepared for the swimwear portion of the night.

The first to enter the stage was Ahern. He brought out two beach balls and volleyed them into the crowd. Up next was Kirkham, doing a hilarious impression of the Coppertone girl with assistance from Haley Warringer. Smith entered the stage, as Currie put it, Smith likes to “get his swell on” at the beach. Last but not least was life-guard Smyth, revealing a navy blue Speedo, perfect for saving swimmers in need.

After all the contestants showed their swimwear, Pinette came on stage and sang his rendition of “Piano Man.” Some of the lyrics consisted of “sing us a song, Mr. Merrimack” and other mocking verses about the competition.

Next was the talent portion, always a crowd favorite. The expectations were high. Lights dimmed, music blaring, Ahern appeared on stage. One swoop of his arm and a ribbon appeared, the second following. His talent? Interpretive ribbon dancing. As he leapt across the stage with the sparkling ribbons following after, one could see that the judges were impressed.

Following that great performance was Kirkham’s turn to take the stage. The beat of Wiz Khalifa’s “Black and Yellow” began playing on the speakers and Kirkham started rapping his own words to the music. Everyone was instantly impressed by his effortless flow and his stage presence. So far the competition was heated and the audience could not wait to see what the next two contestants had to offer.

Smith took the stage next with Amanda Demarco and Jess Gurka behind him. In all black ensemble and black heels, Smith was ready to deliver. He started dancing to “Single Ladies” by Beyonce, and everyone was pleasantly surprised. He was completely dedicated to making his performance a believable one and he did a

fantastic job.

After seeing three amazing performances there was one more to go. “Ice, Ice Baby” by Vanilla Ice began playing and Smyth enters the stage followed by Samantha Ricker and Jacquelynne Muma, all decked out in bright colors. Smyth started rapping to every word, and Ricker and Muma were dancing to the music. He ended the performance with the drop of the mic and the crowd very wild.

The dance team entered the stage one more time for their last performance while the contestants dressed for the formal wear portion.

All four contestants looked extremely sharp in their suits and it was time for the judges to deliberate and pick the winner. The contestants walk on stage. The third runner-up received a \$15 gift card and the second place winner received a \$25 gift card.

It took much thought but the judges awarded Ahern with third place and Matt Kirkham with second place. This left Smyth and Smith left on stage.

Pat Cullen, last year’s winner, was on stage to pass down his crown and sash to the winner. Both contestants did amazing jobs and the moment had come to decide a winner. As the two stood on stage anxiously awaiting one of their names to be announced, the decision was revealed and John Smyth was named the winner. He was crowned, and announced to the audience, “I’m going to Disneyland!”

Although Smith did not win, he gracefully congratulated Smyth “on his victory and to all the other competitors who participated.”

This seemed to be a great experience for all the participants. Smyth said he walked away with “two new friends.” Judge Sally Unis said, “I think the performances were amazing. Merrimack students are extremely talented, and it only shows, that when you guys decide to do something it is nothing but the best.” She added, “Timmy could have been a back-up dancer for Beyonce with those legs and dance moves!”

# Towing Affects High Numbers of Students

Joan Corcoran, ‘13  
Staff Writer

Many incidents have been reported involving cars illegally parked on campus, and there has been some chaos on campus due to snow removal and the cars have had to move back and forth between the parking lots.

Recently many students have reported their their cars being towed. All these students have the sticker that is required for them to keep their cars on campus. Since Feb. 9, there have been 20-plus cars towed on campus. Though this may not appear to be so many, there were days when the number of cars being towed was 10 or more, according to a tow-truck driver.

Ron Abraham, a mechanic at Elm Street Automotive Center, said his company gives Merrimack students a discount for towing. The original price would be \$110, while Merrimack students pay \$100 to re-

trieve their cars after they have been towed. Abraham also said the company does not share any of that fee with Merrimack.

Abraham said that the number of cars being towed “varies at times” and that he believes the Merrimack police “give the students warnings” before ordering a tow.

Although some students have received warnings, others told the Beacon they have not.

Dispatcher Jay Leccese at Merrimack’s Police Services said that “because of snow removal, the cars that moved and did not move back made trouble for the commuters trying to park in commuter lots.” Because of this, Police Services called Abraham and his fellow employees at Elm Street Automotive to tow these cars.

Leccese also specified that the rules of parking are in the Merrimack student handbook. The handbook directs students to the police services web site for any changes to parking rules. That site states that if the “person has accumulated four parking citations, paid or unpaid, a Department of Police Services Sticker — ‘Notice to Tow on Next Violation’ — will be attached to the front driver’s side window”.

Police Services also says that “an email will be sent by the parking officer to the person who has been issued the decal, notifying them that their vehicle will be towed.”

At least two members of the Beacon staff whose cars were towed said they received no warning email from Police Services.

If this is exactly what it states on the police services website, then is it ethical that cars, some of which had no prior violations, were towed without warning due to the snow removal plan? Even though this may not be entirely fair to those who had no violations it is not the same for all cars. Not everyone who has been towed in the recent weeks have been first time violators. There are many “habitual violators” that choose to park in illegal lots over and over again.





# Study Abroad

## More Options Available to Students

Joan Corcoran, '13  
*Staff Writer*

Merrimack's study-abroad program has been growing each semester. This current semester, Merrimack sent 41 students abroad, which is the highest number from the college.

Director of Study Abroad Lauren Gannon said Merrimack is "projecting a similar increase for next year, and taking advantage of opportunities that come along with the program." The college is now sending students to eight different countries including Australia, Argentina, England, France, Greece, Ireland, Italy and Spain; China is being

added in 2012. Gannon said study abroad is the "most transformational experience while at college, regardless of your major."

It's not too late to go abroad for the fall 2011 semester; applications are due April 1. Gannon takes appointments and will walk students through the process — reassuring them along the way it is one of the best decisions they can make.

The application deadline for spring 2012 is Oct. 1.

Another option for those who may not have the ability to go for a whole semester can go during the summer, or even shorter, for a 10-day experience. There is also a program

during January, which is perfect for those who have time over Christmas break.

The payment model for going abroad is the same as it is to attend Merrimack. Students can keep their financial aid, which will help to increase access for many of the students.

The college is also making it easier to start the passport process. Those who do not already have a passport can submit a passport application on Main Street on March 3 from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

On the study abroad web site there are blogs written by students who are currently overseas, to get a feel for what it is like to be living

away.

Dario Leone, a sophomore, is planning on going to Italy in spring 2012. Asked about his decision to go abroad, Leone said, "There was no doubt in my mind that I was going abroad. It is an awesome opportunity and will last me a lifetime."

"It is also very valuable to prospective employers seeking to hire college graduates who have real-life experience in cultural diversity," Gannon said.

For more information, contact Gannon or go to, [merrimack.edu/studyabroad](http://merrimack.edu/studyabroad).



## Beacon Briefs

### Alum, trustee retires as Massport CEO

A Merrimack College alumnus and trustee Thomas Kinton made headlines recently when he announced his retirement as CEO and executive director of the Massachusetts Port Authority, the state agency that oversees Logan International Airport and the Port of Boston. Kinton's retirement will leave him with a pension worth nearly \$200,000 a year, and a \$459,000 payout for unused vacation and sick days. Kinton is nationally recognized for his work enhancing security at Logan Airport after 9/11. Kinton, a 1974 graduate of Merrimack, earned his bachelor's degree in civil engineering. He also received an honorary doctorate of commercial science from Merrimack in 2007.

### Biotech/Biomedical Center names fellows

The Center for Biotechnology and Biomedical Sciences of Merrimack College, which was opened in May 2009, has named four fellows for the spring 2011 semester. This year's fellows will be Elie Ata, a junior biology major from Methuen, Mary Boudreau, a senior health science major from Lexington, Caitlin Kasala-Hallinan, a senior biology major from Worcester, and Lindsay Scarpitta, a senior biology major from Westbury, N.Y. As fellows, duties will include being a teacher's assistant in genetics laboratory sections and have tutoring sessions.



# Merrimack Club Ready to Serve

Abigail Clark, '12  
*Copy Editor*

After a few months of construction and plans, the dream for the Merrimack Club faculty restaurant is now a reality.

When President Christopher Hopey came to Merrimack this past summer, he had visions and ideas for what he would like to see on campus. One of these visions included a place where Merrimack faculty and staff could meet and drawing them back to the center point of campus. The Sakowich Center was the perfect location, he decided.

Through donations and partnerships, construction for the Mack Club began in October. On Feb. 16, the Merrimack Club opened with a reception for faculty and staff.

“I love students, don’t get me wrong, but it’s nice to have a place where we can relax,” said Warren Kay, professor of religious and theological studies. “It also provides greater opportunity to communicate and collaborate.”

Michael Rossi, dean of liberal arts, proclaimed the club “fantastic.”

“This will be a really great place for people to gather — a real opportunity to continue and strengthen our Augustinian traditions.”

Professor Lynn McGovern, chair of modern languages and cultures, admired not only the Merrimack color scheme but wall décor that, she suggested, visually evoked the nearby Merrimack River.

College faculty and staff have access to the Merrimack Club at

any point. Continental breakfast is offered Monday through Thursday, as well as lunch Monday through Thursday. If a faculty or staff member would like to host a function in the club, all they have to do is book the room and space to see if it is available.

The dining aspect of the Merrimack Club is just like any other

students. At the end of the meal, a check comes to the table for payment.

If students would like to host a function at the Merrimack Club, they need to book it through a faculty or staff sponsor. Also, a student needs to be an invited guest of a faculty or staff member in order to dine there.

comfortably. Both the main dining area and the President’s Conference Room are equipped with 70-inch big screen plasma TVs and electronic operated blinds. Finally, there is a sitting area, which used to be the cyber lounge. This room serves as a casual seating area.

Matthew Vaillette, general manager for Merrimack Dining through Sodexo, said he has already seen faculty come up to that area to drink coffee and watch CNN on the big screen TV before classes begin.

Vaillette also explained the Merrimack Club is a work in progress. At Wellesley College, where he worked for three years, Vaillette ran a similar but more exclusive faculty restaurant club. He said, “Every place is so unique but also customizable for what you want it to be.”

During a board meeting in the President’s Conference Room, those in attendance are able to look out the window and see Merrimack campus’ core. When spring comes, the view from this Conference Room will take in the tulips planted throughout campus beginning to bloom.

This vision Hopey had has been made reality. The Merrimack Club will be a central location and focal point for prospective donors; this type of place and setting was missing from Merrimack and it is now an essential part of the campus.



Bob Coppola, Physical Plant Director, Jim Dennis, VP for Advancement, Joe Kelley, Assistant to the President, and Fr. Bill Waters enjoy the new Merrimack Club  
~All photos courtesy of The Office of Communication, Marketing and Public Affairs~

restaurant: The club has its own staff to wait on guests. The wait staff will provide beverages, dessert and appetizers, while the main course offering is a self-serve buffet. The food is different from Sparky's Place, however, and geared more toward faculty and staff instead of

There are three different spaces that make up the Merrimack Club. The first space is the President’s Conference Room. This room is used for meetings and conferences with alumni, trustees and donors. The other room is the main dining area, which can seat up to 42 people



## Police Log

**02/19/2011 21:04 SUSPICIOUS- Odor**

An officer reported a suspicious natural gas odor coming from the Blue Line Club in the Volpe Complex. The Physical Plant and proper authorities were contacted, advised of the issue and responded to the scene.

**02/19/2011 22:49 FIRE ALARM- Unk. Cause**

Police Services received a fire alarm from a Townhouse. Officers and Andover Fire were dispatched. The alarm system showed a first floor smoke alarm. An electrician was contacted and arrived to reset the heat detector. The alarm was also reset and all units were clear.

**02/19/2011 23:40 SUSPICIOUS-**

Person/Vehicle/Activity Police Services received a call about a suspicious odor coming from Santagati Hall. Officers were dispatched and reported seizing 94C contraband from a resident’s room, as well as two handles of vodka. All units were cleared.

**02/14/2011 14:05 MEDICAL- Inj- Ambulance/ Trans**

Police Services received a call from employee that reported that she has just been told by another employee that someone had fallen outside Austin Hall. Officers and North Andover Fire Department responded for a female that had fallen on the front

stairs and had a right ankle and knee injury. The employee was transported to Lawrence General Hospital.

**02/13/2011 00:16 DISTURBANCE- Fight**

A Resident Advisor called Police Services to report a fight at the Apartments. Officers were dispatched and reported that the fight was broken up on arrival.

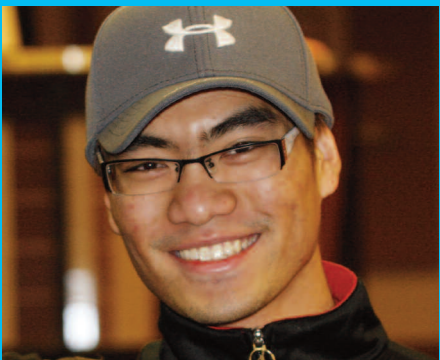
**2/13/2011 01:24 DRUG- Odor of Marijuana**

A Resident Advisor called Police Services to report a suspicious odor in Deegan West. Officers were dispatched and reported confiscating class D paraphernalia from a resident.



# Questions on the Quad

What’s your opinion of the roads on campus?



We need more salt on the roads so people don’t fall.  
- Ekkachai Kiatpatcharapol, 2012



The new “speedbump” by Monican is great!  
- Emily Moldoff, 2013



They s\*\*k!  
-Anthony Rosati, 2012



They’re horrible now, especially by Monican.  
- Jenn Murray, 2012

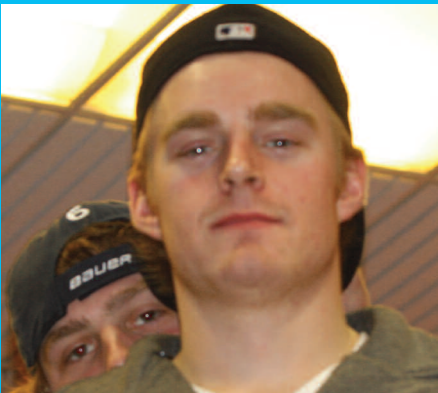
Do you think Ludacris was the best choice for the concert?



Yes, either him or Celine Dion.  
- John Smyth, 2012



No, Spice Girls would’ve been awesome.  
- Schuyler Watkins, 2014



No, I’d rather have Eric Church.  
- Jordan Heywood, 2014



Yes, he’s what everyone wanted on the survey.  
- Kaitlyn Swarts, 2012

# Around Campus





# Opinion

## Theology With Tim Rome

Tim Iannacone, ‘12  
*Staff Writer*

It has been a little over one month since I departed from the United States and there is much to report in the eternal city. Between visiting “the sights” and attending classes things have been pretty busy. Living in a house with men and women who want to enter into the religious life is very inspiring but it makes you stop and think that even though we are busy at all hours of the day, we are never too busy for God. During the day no matter what are agenda is my community reports at our chapel and prays morning prayer, evening prayer, and night prayer together. This is more commonly referred to as the Liturgy of the Hours or the Divine Office which not only men religious pray but even women religious.

Many of the students who live with me are from the University of St. Thomas in St. Paul Minnesota. It is nice to hear other students’ stories on what is taking place on their Catholic campus. There is really only one thing to relay to the stu-

dents at Merrimack and that is we are not alone. The many issues as a Catholic Campus that faces them face us. Striving to be universal in nature and trying to increase the active participation which Pope Benedict XVI says “commits our entire heart, intellect, and will entirely to God” is a difficult task nationwide on our Catholic campuses. After being here I have learned that prayer which is our communication with Christ Jesus is the key to fostering a more universal campus which places God and neighbor at the heart of the matter.

The question is will Catholic campuses allow themselves to be flattened by the American steamroller which represents the contemporary and exploited culture of our day? What I have heard from my peers not only at the University of St. Thomas but also the University of Notre Dame is that the sting of Christianity is gone dead, dead, buried. There can be no martyrs to the faith any longer, for the faith has been sold out to the most telegenic personality of the day.

The tourists in Rome have been doubling in size every week. I can

only imagine what it will be like trying to get to class when the tourist arrive for the beatification for Pope John Paul II on May 1, 2011. I can picture it now, pushing and fighting through the crowds in the heat as the tourists fight back with perseverance as the go to see the Holy Father be made a blessed. Oh the joy! It will not bother me as much because I know they will be here for the Catholic Church to represent Pope John Paul II. From what I have heard here in Rome as of now there are four million people who live in Rome, another four million are expected to arrive from all over the world. This beyond doubt will be a memorable experience that shows we truly are a universal Church.

Every corner in Rome is filled with the history of Christianity. No Catholic would ever be able to understand history as unrelated to Holy Mother Church and our faith. There are those both Catholic and non-Catholic who believe that human history has nothing to do with our faith. But they are entirely incorrect due to the fact that God entered into human history with the birth of Jesus Christ, God in-

carnate (flesh), and therefore history within a human perspective cannot be separated by God. In Rome one learns that without Christianity, many of the Roman architecture that is in existence for both men and women to observe today would not be in existence if it wasn’t for the careful preservation of the Christians of that time.

As the semester continues, I urge you as Catholics to attend mass on campus at Merrimack. It is a start not to some restoration project but to a return to the sense of the holy in Mass because the Mass IS holy. As a campus turn to the Lord Jesus Christ who will sustain you. Do not be afraid of the individualistic society who throws a finger at you for being a Catholic. When one is in Rome one learns to be proud of their Catholic religion not because it is the dominant religion in Rome, but because it is the one true faith of God Who is three in one Himself, drawing all mankind, drawing the whole creation into that unity that is at the very heart of God.

## Bieber Fever!

Matthew LaMalfa, ‘12  
*Staff Writer*

“Justin Bieber: Never Say Never” is the story of the meteoric rise to fame of Canadian performer Justin Bieber. The movie follows Justin and the members of his tour for the ten days leading up to his biggest career performance at Madison Square Garden. The movie was shown in 3D as well, further accentuating the concert special effects. It also greatly improved the overall movie going experience. In my opinion, whether or not you are a fan of the teen music sensation, it is a movie not to be missed.

The film starts off with a background on Bieber’s early childhood of the Toronto suburb of Stratford, Ontario. The child of a young teen mother and absentee father, he was raised mainly by his mothers parents. At an early age Justin showed an impressive knack for singing as well as playing the drums. After posting videos of himself singing on the popular website YouTube.com, Bieber was discovered by an Atlanta-based music producer who knew right away he had something special. He moved the family to Atlanta at his expense in order to jumpstart the then-fourteen year olds music career.

The next year or so was a struggle to gain respect in the industry but

eventually Bieber started to make inroads with the radio stations and he started getting airtime nationwide.

In interesting feature of this movie is its ability to show Bieber as a fairly average sixteen-year-old kid rather than an international performing star. One such instance is when Justin is forced to cancel a show after losing his voice from yelling too much on a day off with his friends. It just goes to show that the kid isn’t perfect and even as a star, is still going to make mistakes as he grows up in the spotlight. Even if you aren’t a fan of Bieber’s music, the film is worth watching just for the 3D special effects. When the confetti falls from the ceiling at the end of the show at Madison Square Garden, it feels like you could put your hand out and touch it.

On a Sunday night at the Showcase Cinema in Lawrence it cost \$13.50 to see Never Say Never. While this might seem a little steep, remember the film is being shown in 3D and has been wildly popular since its release. All things considered, I would recommend the film and say it was well worth the price of admission.

## Jaime’s Restaurant

Kayla Morong, ‘12  
*Sports Editor*

Have you ever wanted to get off campus to grab lunch or dinner? Jaime’s Restaurant, 25 High St. in North Andover is a perfect place to accomplish this desire. If you are craving anything from a burger to chicken fingers, pasta or even a seafood platter, you will find yourself truly satisfied. These options are available along with other signature dishes on the menu.

My experience at Jamie’s was not negative, but reminded me of any other local pub around the area. The wait staff was very friendly and I was immediately waited on. My waitress asked me what I wanted to drink and within no time she was back taking my order. To start out the night of fine dining, I ordered mozzarella sticks (\$7.99) as my appetizer and received free potato chips with a spicy ranch dressing. The mozzarella sticks were good, however they did not taste any different then ones I have had in the past. The chips had a homemade taste and the dressing was extremely flavorful.

For my main dish, I ordered the baked haddock (\$13.99), which in-

cluded a side of rice and green beans. The haddock was cooked to perfection, covered in a delicious breading. The rice I could not have cared less for as well as the green beans. I would suggest the restaurant to provide a selection of vegetables.

With the appetizer being exceptional and the main course fulfilling, it was time to try a dessert. With many options such as key-lime pie and turtle cheesecake, I chose the chocolate peanut butter lava cake (\$5.50). Being a peanut butter lover, I found the dessert delicious. The cake was topped with ice cream and whipped cream making the peanut butter and chocolate tasting even better.

At the end of evening I was truly satisfied. I found the prices to be fairly reasonable, adding to the success of the visit.

Jaime’s restaurant opens at 11 A.M., serving lunch until 4, and dinner is served daily. I recommend Jamie’s restaurant to any student who wants to get away from campus and have a relaxing meal. The service is great and the food stands reasonable.



Sports

Warrior Spotlight

Josh "Lucky" Henry



NE-10 Silver Medalist  
Triple Jump  
~Indoor Track~

Aaron Strothers



NE-10 Player of the  
Week  
~Basketball~

Men and  
Women's Indoor  
Track Score at  
NE-10's  
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Men's Lacrosse  
Looks Forward to  
Strong Season



Hockey

Warriors Rank #4 in Polls

Mark Lindquist '11  
Staff Writer

The fourth-ranked Merrimack Warriors hockey team has climbed the ladder that is the Hockey East standings, one rung at a time. Holding a tiebreaker over Boston College, the Warriors and Eagles both have 33 points on the season, but Merrimack grabbed second place in the Hockey East standings with a weekend sweep of the UMass Minutemen. With those wins, Merrimack improves its winning streak to eight games, with four games remaining on the season, only one point shy of clinching home ice advantage in the Hockey East Quarterfinals.

With Merrimack on the road, the Minutemen took the Warriors into overtime; the OT period lasted only 25 seconds, until Ryan Flanagan's quick net drive was stuffed in by Carter Madsen to seal the win, 4-3. It was a defensive duel for the first two periods, with UMass managing to slip one puck past Joe Cannata for a 1-0 lead, which they took all the way into the third period. That was until Chris Barton deflected Karl Stollery's shot eight minutes into the third to tie the game at one apiece on the powerplay. The Warriors continued to make UMass pay for going to the penalty box, as four minutes later a shot from Brendan Ellis bounced off the glove of UMass goaltender Paul Dainton and into

the net. The Warriors were backed into a corner with two minutes left down 3-2, but the red-hot Joe Cucci, with a seven-game point streak, fired a bullet past Dainton to tie the game at three apiece and force the overtime. At home, the Warriors ground out

keep his team within striking distance. The Warriors got on the board first with Jordan Heywood finding Mike Collins in a two-on-one with Jesse Todd with UMass caught in a line change. Collins moved ever so slightly towards the slot and ripped his 10th goal of the season past



Merrimack hockey bench looks on during the game  
~Photo by Sabrina Boggio~

Dainton. The second period was more of the same, with the Warriors getting pucks on net and Dainton playing very well. That was until the Warriors went on their first power play of the night and cashed in to improve their lead to 2-0.

With good puck movement around the perimeter, Jeff Velleca zipped the puck cross-ice to a waiting Jesse Todd, who found the open side for his 16th of the year.

Despite UMass capitalizing on a

third-period power play to get on the board 2-1 and gunning for the net with 90 seconds, the Warriors held their zone and gave no room to shoot the puck. Cannata was solid, stopping 14 of 15 shots and moving into first in Hockey East in GAA, with a 2.10 average, and wins, with 21.

a 2-1 victory over the Minutemen, who came into Lawler Rink looking to attack early after their 11-2 outright defeat earlier in the year at the hands of the Warriors. Merrimack was still without the services of star forward Stephane Da Costa, who is likely to return to the lineup soon.

With Merrimack matching the intensity of UMass, the first two periods came down to execution. The Warriors were clicking well, while UMass kept misconnecting and giving up possession too many times to Merrimack. The Warriors were firing on all cylinders and outshooting the Minutemen 21-7 in the first period, but Dainton was spectacular in net and made save after save to

Hobey Baker

What is the Hobey Baker Award?

The Hobey Baker Award recognizes the top player in NCAA Division I men's hockey each year. To submit a vote, visit [www.hobeybakeraward.com](http://www.hobeybakeraward.com) and click on the "Vote for Hobey Baker" tab. Users can vote for their favorite Hobey Baker candidate once every 24 hours. When online voting closes, the votes are tabulated, and the results will carry a weight in the final selection process of the 2011 Hobey Baker Award winner.

Information from the Merrimack Athletics.

Merrimack's Joe Cannata and Stephane Da Costa are among the 2011 candidates.



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Warrior Basketball

Lady Warriors Head to Playoffs

Just One More Point for Mercy

Alexandra Picardi, '13  
*News Editor*

Although the Lady Warriors have been winless in their last five games, their attitude had significantly changed as they headed to Southern New Hampshire University to take on the 10-15 Penman. This Wednesday's matchup was predicted to be a close one as the Warriors held an identical record to Southern New Hampshire and in the Northeast-10 Conference (8-13).

In the last meeting between these two teams, the Warriors obtained a hard fought win at home with a score of 59-58, ending a five-game losing streak to the Penman.

Junior captain Gennifer Roy commented before the game, "Competing with SNHU will be a good game because we are tied and want the better seed in the tourney. The result will be determined by who shows up to play. We expect everyone to play strong because that's our team we must do it together."

Head coach Helen Williams was confident in her team as they headed into the game, "Our work ethic in practice has improved tremendously. We just have to translate that to games so we can be successful. We have to keep SNHU from getting second chances with offensive rebounds and have better post defense."

The four seniors (Chelsea Shea, Tiffany Colon, Taneka Brown, Sarah Benischek) looked to cap off their last regular season with a win on the road even though the odds were surely against them with a 3-9 record away from Warrior territory. The Penman had also gone winless in the month of February, losing their last seven games.

Williams stated, "I expect all my seniors to lead the way. They know this is a crucial game and their leadership is the key to our success. The seniors will be missed because they helped rebuild the foundation of this program. Their contribution cannot be overlooked, but we will have a

very strong core returning with Genn, Kelly, Val, and Katie."

Unfortunately, the Warriors fell to the Penman 69-61 on Wednesday night. Although the Lady Warriors wished for a better season, they have ranked high in statistics among the NE-10 Conference.

Tankea Brown is second in the NE-10 conference with 2.4 steals per game and in her recent game against SNHU she had 13 points and six steals.

Roy has averaged 12.1 points per game and recently had 15 points against SNHU. She hit a crucial career milestone as she drained a three-point shot halfway through the first half, making her the 18th player to join the 1,000 point club at Merrimack.

Sophomore Kelly Schatzlein is not too far behind averaging 12 points a game.

Tiffany Colon also had 11 points and seven rebounds against Southern New Hampshire.

"Genn Roy has played steady all season long. Tiffany Colon and Taneka Brown both have provided us with energy all season. Chelsea Shea is probably the most improved because she's allowed us to give Sarah Benischek some rest during the last few games," Williams stated.

Merrimack is currently third in the NE-10 on defensive rebounds with 26.80 per game and before the game against SNHU had 670 defensive boards this season.

This year Merrimack had two new coaches on the bench: K.J. Krasco and Amanda Shannon. Krasco comes from Clarkson University in Potsdam, N.Y., where she was head coach of women's basketball for three years. Shannon returned back to Merrimack to start her coaching career, where she graduated in 2009 with 1360 career points.

Overall the Warriors finished 11th in the NE-10 with a record of 8-14, and will be training hard as they head to the playoffs, but their first round opponent is still unknown.

Mark Lindquist, '11  
*Staff Writer*

The 2010-2011 Merrimack men's basketball team has faced adversity this season with a long stretch of tough losses, and being without the services of high-scoring guard Roland Davis for much of the season.

The one constant has been senior guard Darin "Dee" Mercy, who is second in the NE-10 in scoring, averaging 20.6 points per game. Mercy has been a spectacular scorer since he was a freshman, averaging 17 points a game and served as Darren Duncan's go-to-guy for three seasons, with the ability to drive to the hoop or pull up for an on-target three-pointer. With Mercy at 1,999 career points and one game left to go in the season before the NE-10 playoffs, it is practically a guarantee that Mercy will cross the 2,000-point milestone and etch his name into Merrimack history.

The Warriors first defeated Franklin Pierce College 75-61 to inch their way closer to a spot in the NE-10 Tournament. Point guard Wayne Mack and power forward Aaron Strothers became a strong "one-two punch" for the Warriors, as both of them finished with double-doubles. Mack caught fire from three-point range hitting four of five from beyond the arc and finished the night with 20 points and 10 rebounds.

Strothers was a force down low, converting 10 of 12 shots for and getting to the free throw line for three-point play chances for 23 points and adding 12 rebounds. He was also a great defensive presence, blocking eight shots. Mercy added 17 points to help clinch the victory against Franklin Pierce, with a Merrimack offense that was just clicking all night.

Davis, feeling healthier, returned to the Warriors and contributed five

points as he continues to regain his form after missing several games. Mercy scored 31 points and hit 12 of 24 shots to reach 1,999 career points in a huge victory against St. Michael's College 80-68.

"Senior Day is always a special day for the graduating players. Dee had extra intensity in his game today and his hard work paid off," said head coach Bert Hammel. "We've been playing extremely well lately and we'll need to continue to do so as the regular season ends and the playoffs start."

With the win, the Warriors clinch a spot in the NE-10 Tournament after being torn asunder by injuries and fatigue. Mack and Strothers continued to play strong against the Purple Knights. Mack fed Strothers on the majority of his 10 assists. Strothers put 20-plus points on the board for the second straight game, hitting 9 of 14 of from down low and with a few of those leading to three-point play conversions from the free-throw line for a perfect six for six from the line. He also contributed eight rebounds, with five of them on the offensive glass.

Young continued to be a consistent rebounder for the Warriors as he grabbed a game-high 10 rebounds, with eight of them coming defensively. Young also did his part on the score sheet with eight points.

The Warriors will enter the NE-10 Tournament as the 10th or 11th seed after the final game of the season against Southern New Hampshire is decided.

Like Sports?

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# Men’s Lacrosse Headed Strong into the 2011 Season

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Sports Editor

With weeks of practices and scrimmages, the men’s lacrosse team, coached by Mike Morgan, is ready to take the field at New York Institute of Technology on Saturday.

The Warriors have shown positive performance throughout their offseason, making them one of the top competitors to be watched this spring.

Being ranked fifth nationally and second in the NE-10 polls behind top ranked Le Moyne, the Warriors hope to have a strong season.

“There are a few different polls out there, it seems we’re nationally ranked between 5-7 in all of them. I think it set the tone perfectly to give us motivation going into the season,” said junior team captain and first team pre-season All American, Peter Schielke.

“We beat Le Moyne, the No. 1 team in the nation, last year in the NE-10 championship. We deserved to be a lot higher than 5-7. It definitely gives us something to work for and something to prove,” added Schielke.

During the 2010 season Morgan led his team to a overall 13-3 record, defeating Le Moyne in overtime 12-

11 to win the NE-10 championship. After last years success Morgan hopes to continue to excel on the field as well as staying confident throughout the season.

“Confidence is a key factor,” said Morgan. “I got a good mix of young talented guys who are definitely motivated after last year.”

With the first game coming up, Morgan hopes his team will come out and play hard. “The first game is the time to play hard and let it all hang out,” said Morgan.

In the past the Warriors have been successful on the road. With a positive mentality the Warriors should give NYIT a challenging game. Junior Mid, Bryan Pollack hopes to start out the season on a positive note.

“The first goal of the season is to beat NYIT. This is one of the biggest games of the season and a win against them would give us great momentum,” said Pollack.

Since they are also one of the top teams in D-II it would put us closer to a final four bid at the end of the year. Also, they are one of the few teams that beat us last year so we will be playing with a chip on our shoulder.”

Along with the teams success, the fan base has been a contributing factor to the games. Morgan stressed the importance of fans.

Since beginning of his coaching career, more and more fans have come to watch the Warriors on the field.

Morgan hopes to keep the fan momentum, because it has had significance in shaping the exciting atmosphere on game day.

The team consists of many talented players, such as sophomore Corey Lunney, who was named 2010 NE-10 rookie of the year and led the team in conference scoring.

Along with Lunney, Schielke, Pollack and freshman defensive-man Mark Cryon are expected to have a successful season.

“This team is one of the closest teams I’ve ever been a part of. After excelling all fall, we battled through judgement day and all the bad weather and put together an extremely positive pre-season,” said Lunney.

“I think we’ll all agree that were not your average lacrosse team. We definitely have our own style. Our chemistry and camaraderie is no doubt an edge over our opponents. I don’t think there is a group out there that’s like us,” said Schielke.

With positive emotions heading into the 2011 season and with the help of a strong fan base, the Warriors will face a challenging and exciting season. With two away games coming up and the first home game on March 17 against NE-10

competitor Southern New Hampshire University, the Warriors will surely have hard weeks ahead of them.

“When we are playing well, I believe we are the best team in the country, said Morgan. “At the end of the day we will be fine as long as we keep putting the work in.”



All American  
Pete Schielke  
Class of 2012  
(Ridgefield, CT)

# Warriors Score in First Ever NE-10 Appearance

Matthew LaMalfa, ‘12  
Staff Writer

Competing in their first Northeast-10 Championships, the Merrimack men’s track team raced to a ninth-place finish at the Reggie Lewis Track Center.

"Our guys ran very well today against some great competition. We had some personal records achieved today which is always a positive and it shows that we are improving," said head coach Matt Pimentel.

Leading the Warriors was freshman Josh Henry who picked up all eight of the team’s points. Henry placed second in the triple jump and set a new personal record with a jump of 13.33 meters.

Also posting strong performances were Jesse Fowler, Ian Weaver and Peter Early. Fowler claimed 10th with a jump of 6.01 meters while Weaver and Early finished 7th and 11th, respectively in the high jump competition. Fowler and Early also took part in the 55 meter dash where Fowler placed 13th, slightly in front

of Early, who finished in the 16th spot.

In distance action, freshman Myles Dechane was the Warriors top finisher in 14th place with a time of 4:47.51. Running the 3,000-meter race sophomore Harry Mullin finished with a time of 9:32.69 to earn 23rd. Warrior teammates John Lawrence, John Doherty and Pat Lawlor finished the 5,000-meter run placing 15th, 17th, and 21st.



~Photoscourtesy of Pat Lawlor~

The 4x800 relay team of Ethan Weaver, Ian Weaver, Dechane, and Brendan Mormile picked up an eighth place finish.

On the women’s side, the Lady Warriors had a ninth place finish.

The team’s marquee performance came from the distance medley relay team of Ashley Sarris, Kayla Morong, Brianna Devereaux, and Anne Bajor. They took fifth place in the event and earned two of the team’s three points, in a time of 13:12.63.

Rebecca Ainscow picked up the Warrior’s third point in the 5,000-meter run. She was trailed by teammate Caitlin Kasala-Hallinan, who placed seventh while Ashley Bock, Kasey Pickett, and Alex Maas finished together in 11th, 12th and 13th.

3,000-meter run, Merrimack was paced by Fiona Coleman, who finished in 10th place. Behind her were Devereaux, who finished 12th, and Julie Binney, who crossed the line in 13th.

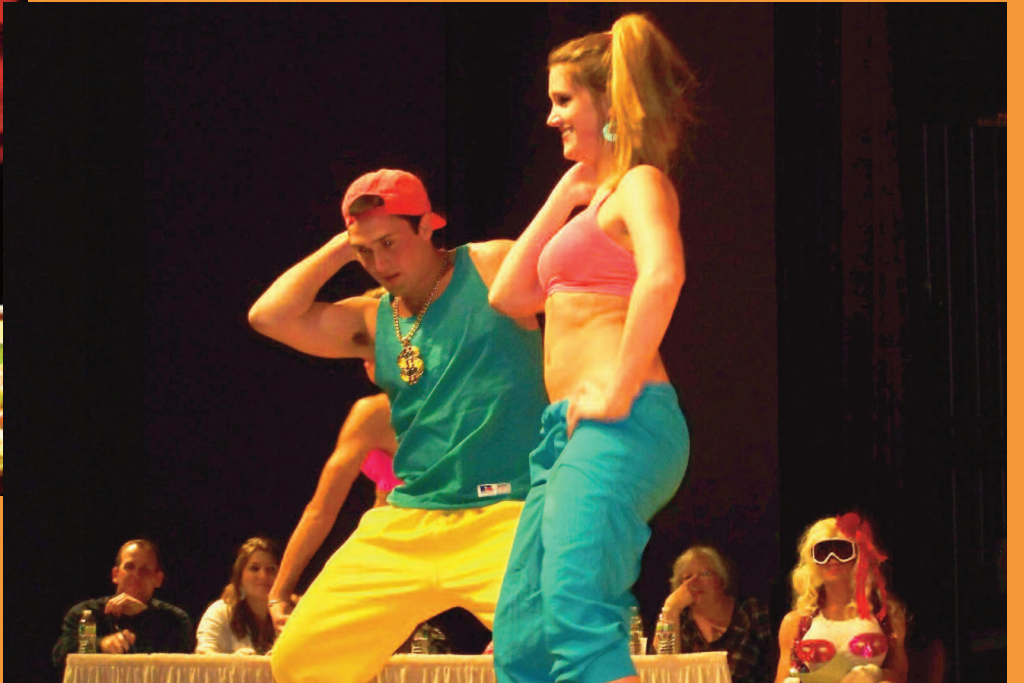
In the mile run, Bajor was the only competitor for the Warriors, posting a time of 5:25.41, which was good for eighth place.

In other relay action, Merrimack’s 4x800 squad of Sarris, Morong, Binney, and Coleman clocked a time of 10:46.51 and finished seventh.

In the







These Photos were taken by staff photographer Sabrina Boggio of recent events on campus, including Fire and Ice Trip on Valentine's Day, Mr. Merrimack, Stump The Priest, and the Student Section during hockey games.